GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5231
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FIRE RAVAGED AT CAFETERIA
DALPAT SINGH PARASTE

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a fire ravaged at cafeteria in the Indira Gandhi International Airport on September 29, 2000 night underlining the fact once over again that the airport is not equipped to handle such type of crises;

(b) whether a KIM flights which was to nose in at an aerobridge close to the cafeteria had to be diverted to another aerobridge;

(c) whether no emergency light was available at the time arrival of firemen; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a):- No, Sir. A fire broke out in the kitchen of Ashoka cafeteria in Terminal II at 2200 hours on 27th September, 2000. The fire staff responded immediately and the fire was contained within 10 minutes. IGI Airport is fully equipped to handle fire exigencies.

(b):- Yes, Sir. A KLM flight was reallotted to another aerobridge as a precautionary measure. In fact no damage occurred at the aerobridge close to the cafeteria.

(c) and (d):- Fire Officials had their emergency lights with them when they arrived at the site of incident.